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Dear Customs client

UPDATE ON GO-LIVE OF CSK

SARS is on the verge of implementing the first phase of the Customs Sufficient Knowledge (CSK) assessment process which falls under the New Customs Acts Programme (NCAP).

The CSK is a Customs Control Act (CCA) prerequisite for certain client types to have CSK for registration and licensing purposes on the RLA system.

The initial rollout of CSK will go live on 11 May 2018 for the following CCA registration and licensing client types only: Local Road carriers, Own Goods Carriers: Road, Local Road Couriers, General Customs brokers, Courier Customs Brokers and Registered Agents: Road Carriers (non-local).

As the CCA has not yet been operationalised, taking the test will not be mandatory at this stage. However, clients are encouraged to write the test as it will assist them to become familiar with the new legislation to avoid consequences stemming from non-compliance in the future.

The test will be written online at various SARS venues around the country. However, in the early phase, SARS will enable limited test venues and will be extending venue schedules according to a phased roll-out plan. From 14 May, clients will be able to book to take the test as per available schedules on the CSK system. When clients go on the CSK application via eFiling to nominate and book, the schedule will indicate which venues are available on which dates.

Initially, to lessen the administrative burden, each company/legal entity will only be able to nominate a maximum of two employees to write the test. The employer will nominate their employee/s on the CSK site on eFiling and those employees will then have to accept their nomination on eFiling.

It is therefore important that all companies who wish to take part in the CSK test, identify their employees who they wish to undertake the test and ensure that they are linked to the company on eFiling.

We will be communicating more details on CSK during the course of the week.

For more information you can go to the SARS website > Customs & Excise > New Customs Legislation Update > CSK or click here: <http://www.sars.gov.za/ClientSegments/Customs-Excise/AboutCustoms/Pages/Customs-Sufficient-Knowledge-Test-FAQs.aspx>. If you have any questions, please mail us on NewCustomsActs@sars.gov.za.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely



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